

**Amendment No. 9 to HB2426**

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 1502\***

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by adding the following new sections immediately preceding the effective date section and renumbering the effective date section accordingly:

SECTION \_\_. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 60, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

(a) Beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, TNReady assessments shall be administered in a paper format unless an LEA's local board of education, no later than September 15, approves by a majority vote to administer TNReady assessments in a computerized format for that school year.

(b) The department of education shall fund the administration of TNReady assessments as prescribed in subsection (a) using its existing resources and without additional state funding beyond the amounts appropriated to the department.

SECTION \_\_. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 60, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

(a) Before the department of education may execute or renew any contract for the administration of state assessments, the terms of that contract must be reviewed by:

(1) The information systems council, which shall issue a report detailing its findings and recommendations regarding the contract; and

(2) The joint government operations committee of the senate and the house of representatives and the committee must have issued a positive or neutral recommendation.

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(b) The department of education shall assist the joint government operations committee of the senate and the house of representatives and the information systems council in reviewing the terms and conditions of any contract for state assessments.

SECTION \_\_. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-302(d)(2)(E)(ii), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

(ii) In the 2017-2018 school year:

(a) The evaluation criteria identified in subdivision (d)(2)(B)(ii) shall be adjusted so that student growth data generated by assessments administered in the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 school years shall account for a total of twenty percent (20%) of the overall evaluation criteria identified in subdivision (d)(2)(B) as determined under subdivision (d)(2)(E)(ii)(b); and

(b) A teacher or principal shall choose whether the student growth data generated by assessments administered in the 2017-2018 school year accounts for ten percent (10%) or for zero percent (0%) of the teacher or principal's overall evaluation. Student growth data generated by assessments administered in the 2016-2017 school year shall account for the remaining portion of the twenty percent (20%) total established in subdivision (d)(2)(E)(ii)(a).